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New Wilderness on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest

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Wilderness

In the early 1900's, people became concerned that the Nation's wildlands were disappearing. In 1924 the Forest Service became the first federal agency to protect wilderness lands under its jurisdiction. In 1964 Congress passed the Wilderness Act which established a National Wilderness Preservation System. The Act defines wilderness this way: "A wilderness . . . is hereby recognized as an area where the earth and its community of life are untrammelled by man, where man himself is a visitor who does not remain."

Wilderness holds special values for each person who appreciates it. To some, these wildlands represent an opportunity to reflect on the role of humankind as a part of the community of life rather than as nature's conqueror. To others, wilderness provides a temporary escape from the pressures of a highly technological and demanding society.

Wilderness has significant scientific values. It provides a comparison between relatively unaltered lands and those more intensively managed or manipulated by people for their use.

No Trace

Wilderness can remain wild for future generations if we use it today without leaving a trace.

Here's how:

LITTER—Pack out all litter, especially foil packaging which does not burn.

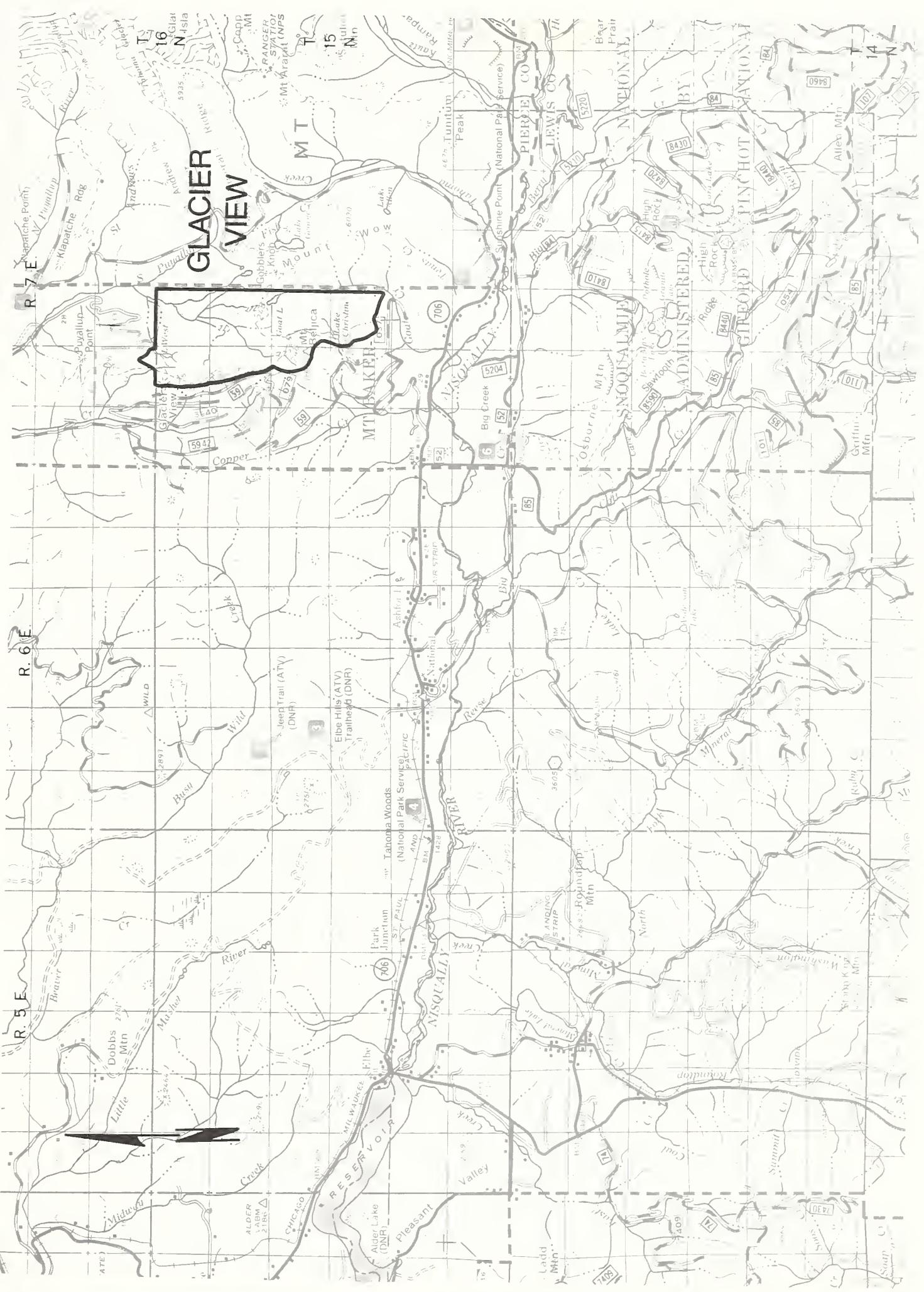
HUMAN WASTE—Select a spot at least 200 feet from open water, and dig a hole no deeper than 6 to 8 inches to take advantage of the soil's natural ability to decompose organic material. Cover it with dirt after use.

CAMPFIRES—The results of collecting wood and building campfires are an apparent sign of human activity. If a fire is absolutely necessary, build it in a safe spot where fires have been built before, and keep it small. A small stove provides a more efficient means of cooking, and leaves no scar.

CAMPING—Pitch your tent so no drainage ditch is required. Replace rocks and other materials removed from sleeping areas.

Motorized and Mechanical Equipment—Motorized equipment is prohibited in wilderness, except for small, battery-powered, hand-held devices such as cameras and shavers. Use of aircraft, including landings and airdrops, is prohibited.

GLACIER VIEW



GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST
Packwood Ranger District

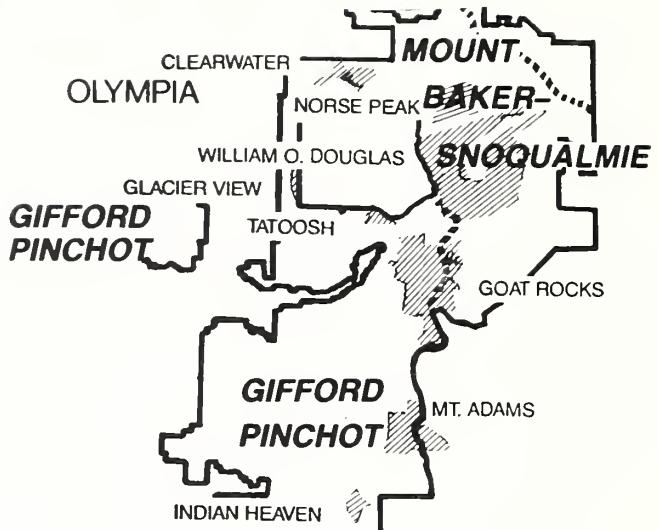
GLACIER VIEW WILDERNESS

Size (Acres): 3,050

Key Access Points: Forest Road 59 (on west side of area) provides access from State Route 706

Miles of Trail: 7.9

Elevation Range: 3,100 - 5,500



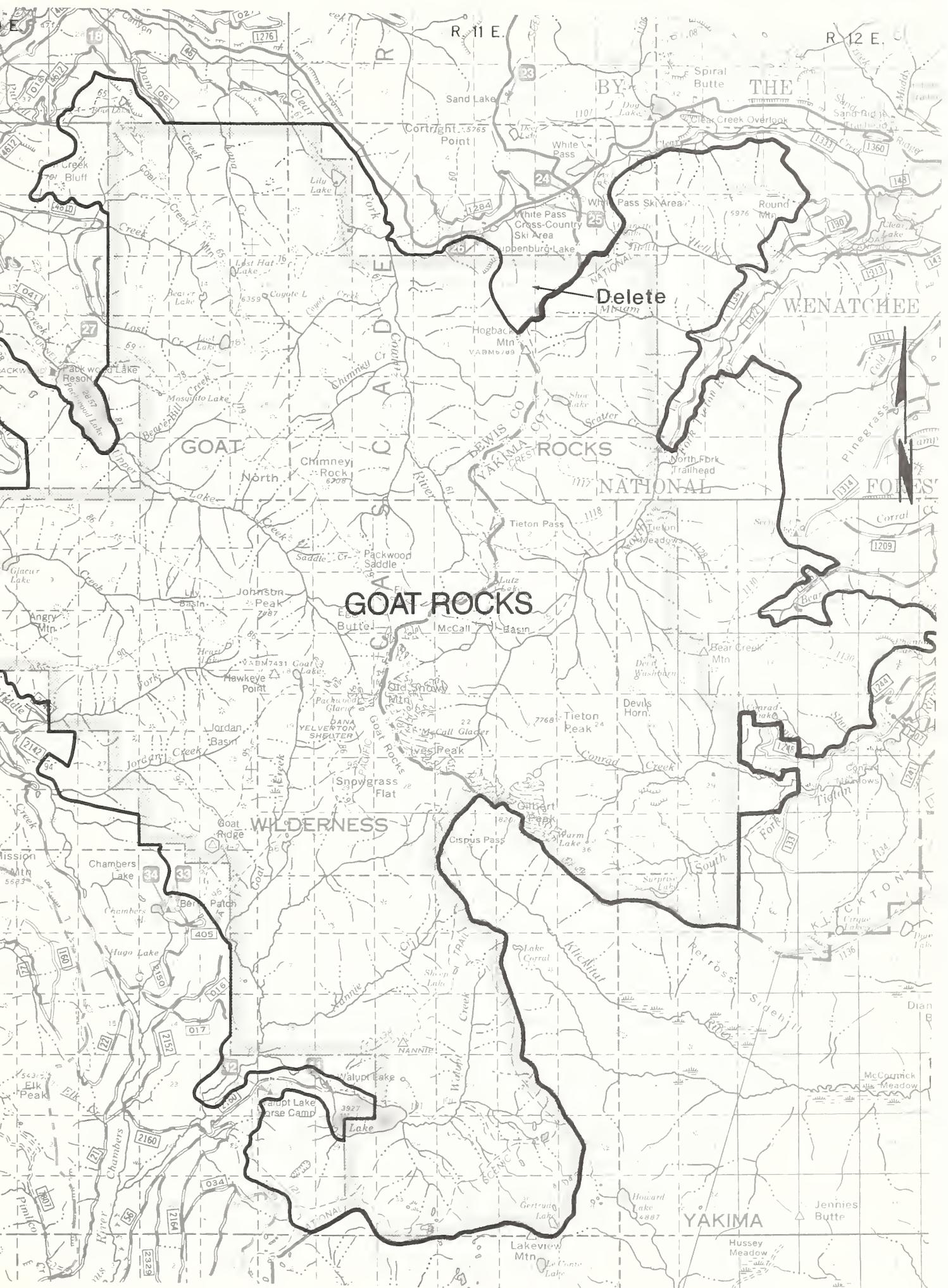
General Description: Adjacent to west boundary of Mt. Rainier National Park. Glacier View Trail #267 and Puyallup Trail #248 lead through the area and into the National Park. Topography varies from the relatively steep and rocky ridge along west side of area to moderate; sometimes gentle slopes in the areas of Goat Lake, Puyallup River, and Beljica Meadows. Includes several small lakes. Forested with Douglas-fir, hemlock, western red cedar, and true firs. Area provides a high degree of isolation due to topography.

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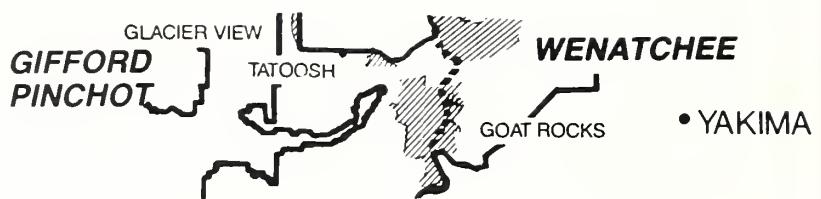
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WENATCHEE & GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FORESTS
NACHES & PACKWOOD RANGER DISTRICTS

GOAT ROCKS WILDERNESS

SIZE: 22,953 acres of additions
82,680 acres original area
105,633 acres total Wilderness



KEY ACCESS POINTS: Highway 12 to FS Rds. #1406, #1408, and #134, and PCT #2000 and other trailheads from the north; I-5 to Highway 12 to FS Rds. #1114 and #1104 from the southwest.

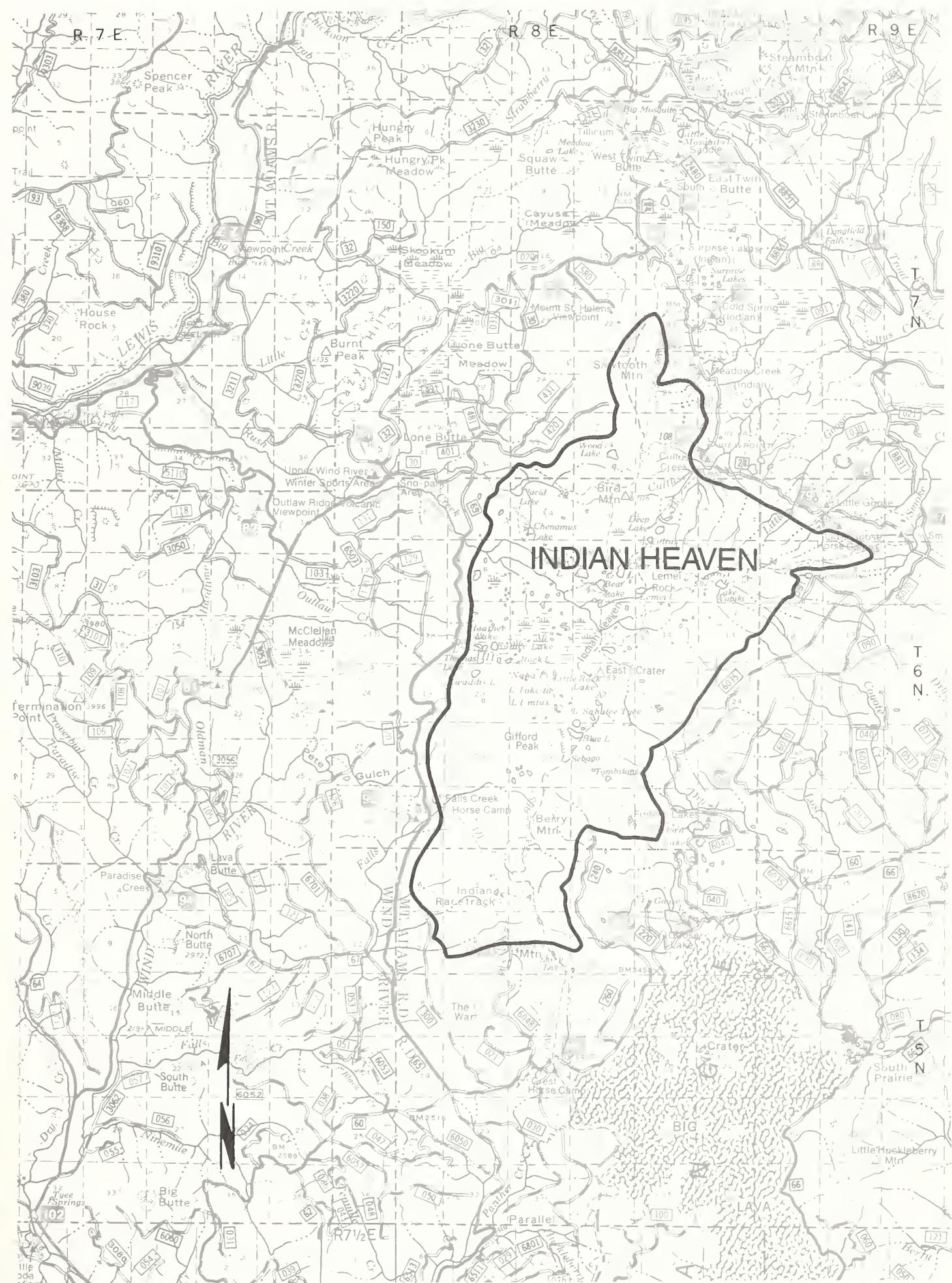
MILES OF TRAIL: Approximately 120 miles

ELEVATION RANGE: From 3,000 feet in river valley bottoms to 8,200 feet on Gilbert Peak.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The Goat Rocks Wilderness is located in portions of both Yakima and Lewis Counties, generally between Mt. Rainier and Mt. Adams. The area is bounded by U.S. Highway 12 and the White Pass Ski area on the north and the Yakima Indian Reservation on the southeast. The Tieton and Klickitat River systems drain the east side of the wilderness, and streams of the Cowlitz River system feed from the west side. Vegetation types consist of true firs and hemlocks as well as some Alaska yellow cedar and western white pine. The alpine soils are shallow and rocky. A recent influence on these soils was the May 1980 eruption of Mount St. Helens which deposited a layer of ash on the area which was several inches thick in places. Wildlife populations include deer, elk, coyotes, bear, pika, northern three-toed woodpecker, and martin. Mountain goats may be sighted within the area. Game birds such as blue, ruffed, and spruce grouse are also present. Streams and lakes support cutthroat and rainbow trout. Dolly Varden trout inhabit the North Fork of the Tieton River. The Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail Traverses the Wilderness from north to south.

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GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST
Mt. Adams Ranger District

INDIAN HEAVEN WILDERNESS

Size (Acres): 20,650

Key Access Points: Forest Roads 30, 65, and 60 provide access, from Carson, WA, to the west, north, and south sides of the area.

Forest Road 24 provides access from Trout Lake, WA, to east and north sides.

Miles of Trail: 40

Elevation Range: 3,900 to 5,500



General Description: Broad rolling country that straddles a portion of the crest of the Cascade Range. Primarily forested with true firs, the area contains wide expanses of subalpine meadows and numerous small lakes. Receives high recreation use during summer. Some cross-country ski use during winter.

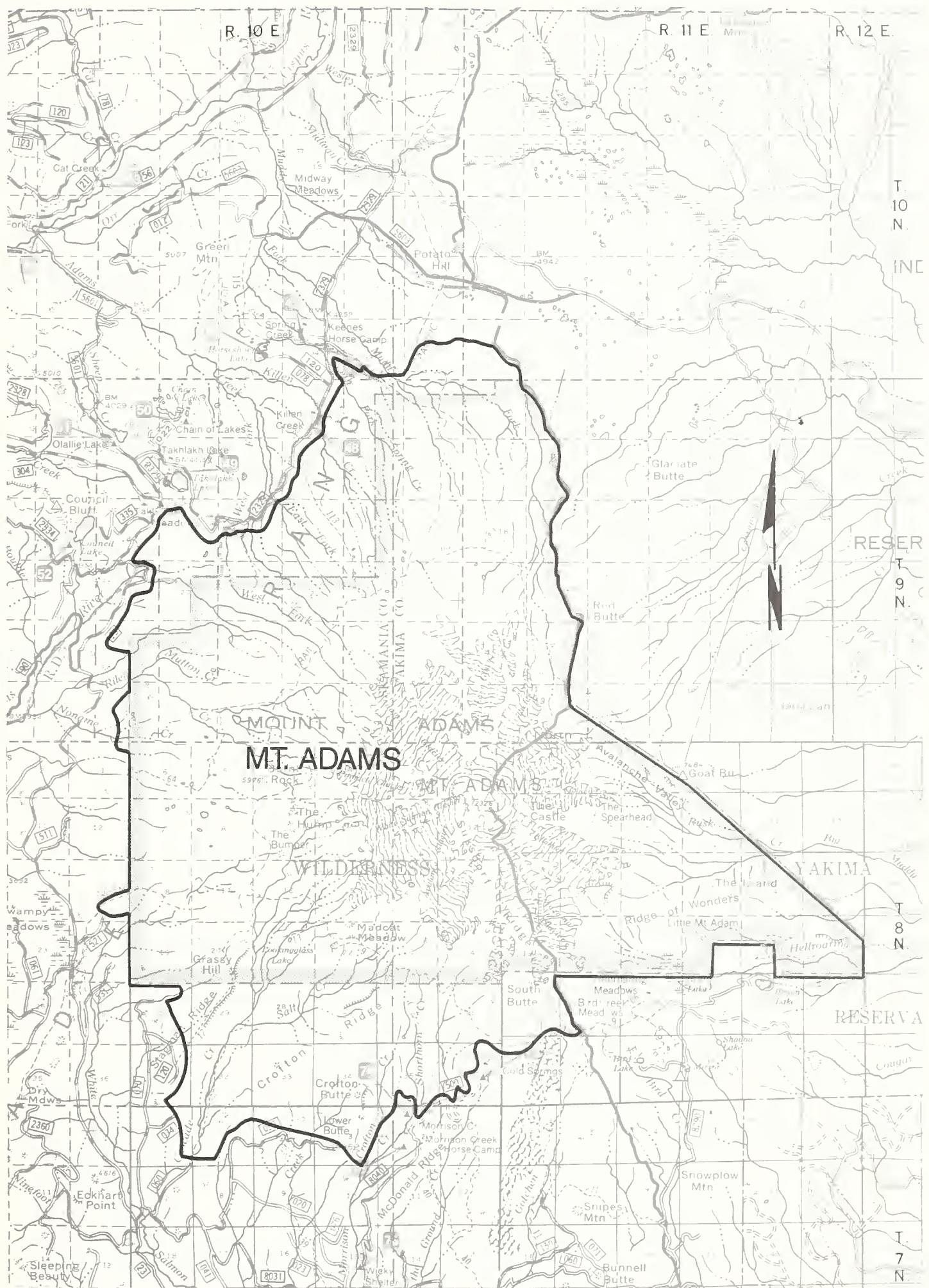
Other Features: A very important area to the Indians culturally and still receives regular use by them. Extensive trail system including the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail which runs the entire length of the area.

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TATOOSH WILDERNESS

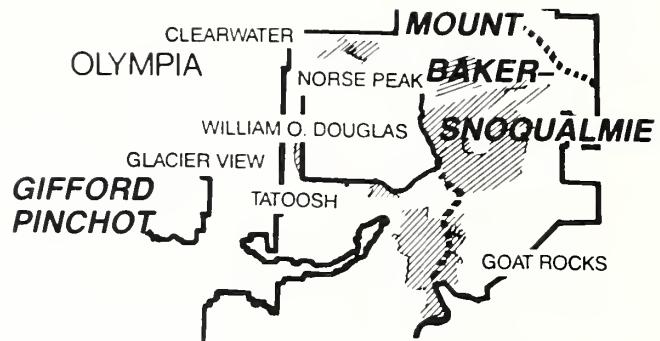
Size (Acres): 15,720

Key Access Points: West side is accessed by Forest Roads 52 and 5270 from Packwood, Washington.

Forest Roads 52 and 5290, from Packwood, Washington, provide access to the south end of area.

Miles of Trail: 12

Elevation Range: 1,400 - 5,900



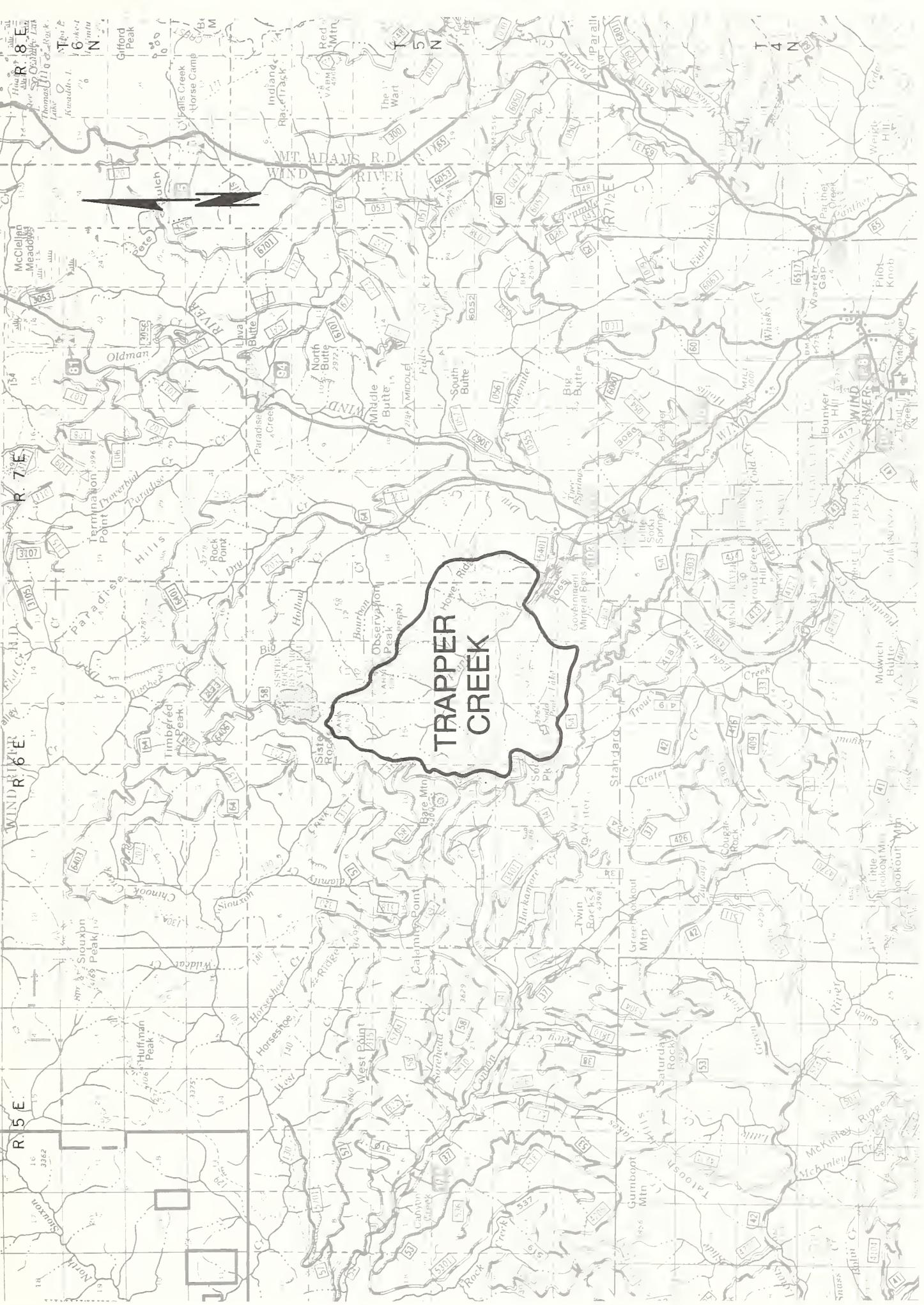
General Description: Contains 550 acres of the Butter Creek Research Natural Area. Includes a wide variety of physical features from river bottoms to subalpine ridge-tops. Upper elevations are open and semi-open meadows giving way to rocky outcrops on steeper slopes.

Other Features: Lakes in the area include Tatoosh, Johnson, and Backbone. The area is bounded on its entire northern boundary by Mount Rainier National Park. Tatoosh Trail #161 traverses the area but is somewhat difficult to follow.

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GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST
Wind River Ranger District

TRAPPER CREEK WILDERNESS

Size (Acres): 6,250

Key Access Points: County Road 30 (Wind River Road), from Carson, Wash., provides access to trailhead at Government Mineral Springs.

Miles of Trail: 12.5

Elevation Range: 1,300 - 4,250



General Description: Sister Rocks Research Area adjacent to Wilderness. Trapper Creek has a variety of geological and ecological types, from dense stands of old-growth Douglas-fir at lower elevations, to open rocky peaks, and meadows at higher elevations.

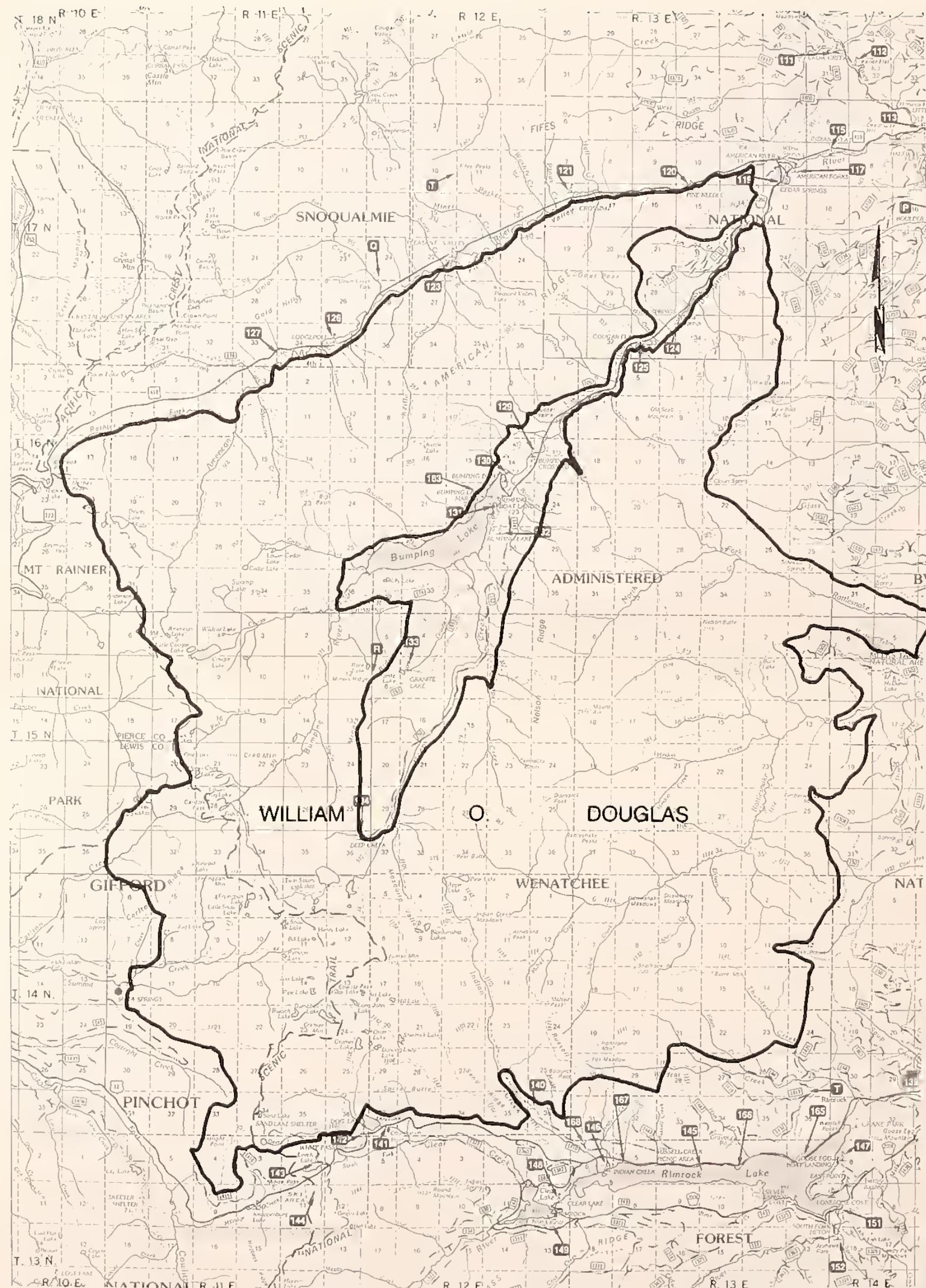
Other Features: Trapper Creek, a main tributary to Wind River, is important to water quality and anadromous fish habitat.

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Administrative Contact Point:

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